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SUBJECT: CODEL HOLLINGS

1. FIRST SENATE GROUP IN 11 YEARS WILL BE VISITING LATIN AMERICA BETWEEN AUGUST 15 AND SEPTEMBER 1. GROUP WILL BE HEADED BY SENATOR HOLLINGS AND WILL TENTATIVELY INCLUDE SENATORS ROBERT BYRD, CANNON, RIBICOFF, DURKIN, SARBANES, AND LAXALT AND STAFFERS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STAN KIMMETT, SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, BILL HILDEBRAND, SECRETARY FOR THE MINORITY, ROBERT DOCKERY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, SUBCOMMITTEE ON WESTERN HEMISPHERE AFFAIRS, AND POSSIBLY GAIL MARTIN, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE. COL. JOE MALPIN WILL BE THE ARMY ESCORT OFFICER. ALL MEMBERS AND STAFF MEMBERS WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY

WIVES. ITINERARY IS INCLUDED IN FINAL PARAGRAPH OF THIS CABLE.

- 2. NO STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICER WILL ACCOMPANY CODEL. HOWEVER, IT IS REQUESTED THAT EACH EMBASSY ARRANGE FOR A TOP OFFICIAL TO JOIN PARTY IN PRECEDING CAPITAL TO ACCOMPANY PARTY TO POST. INITIAL BRIEFINGS CAN THEN BE CONDUCTED ON PLANE. SENATORS WILL BE INTERESTED IN GETTING AN OVERVIEW OF POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, AND ASSISTANCE ASPECTS OF U.S. RELATIONS WITH EACH COUNTRY. SCHEDULES PREPARED FOR CODEL SHOULD SEEK TO PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF THESE THREE AREAS IN BRIEFINGS, OFFICIAL CALLS, AND ORIENTATION VISITS. GROUP WOULD APPRECIATE MEETINGS WITH HEADS OF STATE, FOREIGN MINISTERS AND DEFENSE MINISTERS WHERE APPROPRIATE AND FEASIBLE. (FOR PANAMA. GROUP WOULD APPRECIATE MEETING WITH GEN. TORRIJOS.)
- 3. SCHEDULES. EMBASSIES SHOULD PREPARE TENTATIVE SCHEDULES FOR BOTH CODEL MEMBERS AND WIVES KEEPING IN MIND THAT WIVES WISH TO ATTEND OFFICIAL MEETINGS WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WHERE APPROPRIATE. STAFFER DOCKERY SHOULD BE PRESENT AT ALL SUBSTANTIVE MEETINGS. PRELIMINARY SCHEDULES SHOULD REACH WASHINGTON BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 20 WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THESE WILL BE MODIFIED LATER. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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- 4. EMBASSY SHOULD RESERVE TWO SUITES FOR SENATOR HOLLINGS AND SENIOR MINORITY MEMBER. DOUBLE ROOMS SHOULD BE RETAINED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE PARTY. CONTROL SUITE SHOULD BE CENTRALLY LOCATED. IN REGARD TO TRANSPORTATION, EMBASSIES SHOULD AVOID MAKING REDUNDANT ARRANGEMENTS. IF A BUS IS NECESSARY, ONE SHOULD BE RESERVED. HOWEVER, IF TRANSPORTATION CAN BE HANDLED WITH AVAILABLE VEHICLES, AND THIS APPEARS APPROPRIATE, THEN THIS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED. POST RECOMMENDATIONS WITH REGARD TO TRANSPORTATION ARE REQUESTED. STAN KIMMETT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS ON TRIP AND CONTROL OFFICERS SHOULD MAKE ALL ARRANGEMENTS WITH HIM UPON ARRIVAL AT POST.
- 5. AS MEMBERS ARE INTERESTED IN FULL SCHEDULE DURING WORKING HOURS, IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF SOCIAL FUNCTIONS COULD BE HELD AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE IN THE EVENING HOURS. FUNDS WILL GENERALLY NOT REPEAT NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR REPRESENTATION PURPOSES.

6. GIFTS. THE DELEGATION WILL HAVE WITH IT APPROPRIATE GIFTS FOR HEADS OF STATE ONLY, IF VISITS TO HEADS OF STATE ARE SCHEDULED.

7. SECURITY. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS POSTS' COMMENTS ON SECURITY PROVISIONS WHICH SHOULD APPLY TO CODEL AND ANY OTHER COMMENTS POSTS MAY WISH TO MAKE ON SECURITY ASPECTS OF VISIT.

8. THE FOLLOWING IS PRELIMINARY ITINERARY FOR CODEL HOLLINGS:

MONDAY, AUGUST 15 - 9:00 A.M. DEPART ANDREWS AFB 1:20 P.M. ARRIVE CARACAS, VENEZUELA LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17 - 9:00 A.M. DEPART CARACAS 2:35 P.M. ARRIVE BRASILIA

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18 - 4:00 P.M. DEPART BRASILIA 5:40 P.M. ARRIVE RIO DE JANEIRO

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 - 9:00 A.M. DEPART RIO DE JANEIRO 11:50 A.M. ARRIVE BUENOS AIRES

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23 - 9:00 A.M.DEPART BUENOS AIRES 11:10 A.M. ARRIVE LIMA

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25 - 9:00 A.M. DEPART LIMA 11:30 A.M. ARRIVE PANAMA

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28 - 9:00 A.M. DEPART PANAMA 3:00 P.M. ARRIVE ANDREWS AFB VANCE

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